# Proposition 1 Safe, Reliable High-Speed Passenger Train Bond Act for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

#### Yes/No Statement

A YES vote on this measure means: The state could sell \$9.95 billion in general obligation bonds, to plan and to partially fund the construction of a high-speed rail system in California, and to make capital improvements to state and local rail services.

A **NO** vote on this measure means: The state could not sell \$9.95 billion in general obligations bonds for these purposes.

### Proposition 2 Treatment of Farm Animals. Statute.

#### Yes/No Statement

A YES vote on this measure means: Beginning in 2015, state law would prohibit, with certain exceptions, the confinement on a farm of pregnant pigs, calves raised for veal, and egg-laying hens in a manner that does not allow them to turn around freely, lie down, stand up, and fully extend their limbs.

A **NO** vote on this measure means: State law would not contain prohibitions specifically concerning the confinement of pregnant pigs, calves raised for veal, and egg-laying hens.

### Proposition 3 Children's Hospital Bond Act. Grant Program. Statute.

### Yes/No Statement

A YES vote on this measure means: The state could sell \$980 million in general obligation bonds for the construction, expansion, remodeling, renovation, furnishing, equipping, financing, or refinancing of children's hospitals.

A NO vote on this measure means: The state would not sell the \$980 million in general obligation bonds proposed for these purposes.

### Proposition 4

## Waiting Period and Parental Notification Before Termination of Minor's Pregnancy. Constitutional Amendment.

### Yes/No Statement

A YES vote on this measure means: The State Constitution would be changed to require that a physician notify, with certain exceptions, a parent or legal guardian of a pregnant minor at least 48 hours before performing an abortion.

A **NO** vote on this measure means: Minors would continue to receive abortion services to the same extent as adults. Physicians performing abortions for minors would not be subject to notification requirements.

### Proposition 5

### Nonviolent Offenders. Sentencing, Parole and Rehabilitation. Statute.

#### Yes/No Statement

A YES vote on this measure means: Drug treatment diversion programs available primarily for persons charged or convicted for a nonviolent drug possession crime would be expanded. Some parole violators would be diverted from state prison and parole terms would be reduced for others. New rehabilitation programs would be expanded for offenders before and after they leave prison. Some inmates might receive additional credits to reduce the time they stay in state prison. Possession of less than 28.5 grams of marijuana would have a lesser penalty than under current law.

A NO vote on this measure means: State and local governments would determine whether to expand existing drug treatment diversion programs in the future. State correctional officials would continue to have the discretion to return various categories of parole violators to state prison, and parole terms would remain at three years for most parolees. The state would not be obligated to further expand rehabilitation programs for inmates, parolees, and other offenders. The current rules for awarding credits to inmates to reduce their time in prison would continue. The penalty for possession of less than 28.5 grams of marijuana would remain unchanged.

## Proposition 6 Criminal Penalties and Laws. Public Safety Funding. Statute.

#### Yes/No Statement

A YES vote on this measure means: The state would be required to increase spending for specified state and local criminal justice programs to at least \$965 million in 2009-10, an increase of \$365 million, growing in future years. Sentences also would be increased for certain crimes—such as crimes related to gangs, methamphetamine sales, and vehicle theft—resulting in more offenders being sent to state prison and for longer periods of time. The measure would make various other criminal justice changes related to such things as parole agent caseloads and use of hearsay evidence.

A **NO** vote on this measure means: The state Legislature and Governor would continue to have their current authority over the state funding levels provided for specified criminal justice programs. Criminal penalties would not be increased. Parole caseloads and use of hearsay evidence would remain unchanged.

### Proposition 7 Renewable Energy. Statute.

#### Yes/No Statement

A YES vote on this measure means: Electricity providers in California, including publicly owned utilities, would be required to increase their proportion of electricity generated from renewable resources, such as solar and wind power, beyond the current requirement of 20 percent by 2010, to 40 percent by 2020 and 50 percent by 2025, or face specified penalties. The requirement for privately owned electricity providers to acquire renewable electricity would be limited by a cost cap requiring such acquisitions only when the cost is no more than 10 percent above a specified market price for electricity. Electricity providers who fail to meet the renewable resources requirements would potentially be subject to a 1 cent per kilowatt hour penalty rate set in statute, without a cap on the total annual penalty amount. The required time frames for approving new renewable electricity plants would be shortened.

A NO vote on this measure means: Electricity providers in California, except publicly owned ones, would continue to be required to increase their proportion of electricity generated from renewable resources to 20 percent by 2010. The current requirements on privately owned utilities to purchase renewable electricity would continue to be limited by an annual cost cap on the total amount of such purchases. Electricity providers would continue to be subject to the existing penalty process, in which the penalty rate (currently 5 cents per kilowatt-hour) and a total annual penalty cap (currently \$25 million per provider) are set administratively. The required time frames for approving new renewable electricity plants would not be shortened.

### Proposition 8 Limit on Marriage. Constitutional Amendment.

#### Yes/No Statement

A YES vote on this measure means: The California Constitution will specify that only marriage between a man and a woman is valid or recognized in California.

A NO vote on this measure means: Marriage between individuals of the same sex would continue to be valid or recognized in California.

# Proposition 9 Criminal Justice System, Victims' Rights, Parole, Constitutional Amendment and Statute.

#### Yes/No Statement

A YES vote on this measure means: Crime victims would have additional constitutionally guaranteed rights, such as the right to participate in any public criminal proceedings. Payments of restitution to crime victims would be required without exception, and any funds collected from offenders ordered to pay restitution would go to pay that obligation before any other. Inmates with life sentences who were denied parole would generally have to wait longer before being considered again for release. Some parolees facing revocation and return to prison may no longer be represented by legal counsel. Early release of inmates to reduce prison or jail overcrowding would be restricted in certain circumstances.

A NO vote on this measure means: Victims will continue to have the statutory right to be notified of certain criminal justice proceedings, such as sentencing and parole proceedings. Whether victim restitution would be ordered would remain subject to a judge's discretion, and the manner in which money collected from defendants is distributed would remain unchanged. Current waiting periods for parole revocation hearings and parole consideration would remain unchanged. All parolees would continue to be entitled to receive legal representation at parole hearings. State and local governments could take steps to release inmates early to reduce jail and prison overcrowding.

### Proposition 10 Bonds. Alternative Fuel Vehicles and Renewable Energy. Statute.

### Yes/No Statement

A YES vote on this measure means: The state could sell \$5 billion in general obligation bonds for various renewable energy, alternative fuel, energy efficiency, and air emissions reduction purposes.

A **NO** vote on this measure means: The state would not sell \$5 billion in general obligation bonds for these purposes.

### Proposition 11 Redistricting. Constitutional Amendment and Statute.

#### Yes/No Statement

A YES vote on this measure means: Boundaries for State Senate, Assembly, and Board of Equalization districts would be drawn by a new commission made up of California registered voters. Boundaries for U.S. House of Representatives districts would continue to be drawn by the Legislature.

A **NO** vote on this measure means: Boundaries for State Senate, Assembly, Board of Equalization, and U.S. House of Representatives districts would continue to be drawn by the Legislature.

### Proposition 12 SB 1572 (Chapter 122, Statutes of 2008 [Wyland]). Veterans' Bond Act of 2008.

### Yes/No Statement

A YES vote on this measure means: The state would be able to issue \$900 million in general obligation bonds to provide loans for the veterans' farm and home purchase (Cal-Vet) program.

A **NO** vote on this measure means: The state would not be able to issue these bonds for this purpose.